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Changes in Illinois Law Beginning
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Information Source

- Information contained herein was obtained by visiting the source below. Link may no longer be working (6/8/2017).
- <http://wgntv.com/2014/01/01/new-illinois-laws-that-go-into-effect-in-2014/>



Disclosure

- Please note over 200 new laws were passed by the Illinois General Assembly.
- SB (Senate Bill) or HB (House Bill) numbers may be entered into the Illinois General Assembly website, www.ilga.gov, for a more detailed description of the law(s).



20 Top Twenty New Laws You Should Be Aware Of

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Cell Phone Ban – [HB1247](#)

- Bans use of cell phones while driving
- Exempts hands-free devices
- First offense is a non-moving violation
- Second and subsequent offenses are moving violations recorded on driving records
- Tickets range from \$75 for first offense to \$150 for fourth or subsequent

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Cell Phone Penalties – [HB2585](#)

- Increases penalties in accident cases where individual is using an electronic device and that action is determined to be a cause of the crash resulting in injury or death



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Drunken Boating – [SB1479](#)

- Allows Secretary of State to revoke the driver's license of a watercraft operator under the influence of alcohol; requires BAC testing if an accident occurs



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No Driver's License Under 18 if Pending Citation – [HB1009](#)

- Prohibits the Secretary of State from issuing a driver's license to individuals under 18 if they have an unresolved traffic citation
- Allows prosecutors to petition the court to have the driver's licenses of minors convicted of accidents involving a death or serious injury invalidated



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Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act – Public Safety **430 ILCS 66**

- The Illinois State Police shall issue a license to carry a concealed firearm under this Act to qualified applicants.
- Learn more at:
<https://www.ispfsb.com/>



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Work Zone Offenses – [HB1814](#)

- Separates speeding in a work zone into two offenses: when workers are present and when workers are not present



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Domestic Battery Penalties – [HB958](#)

- Increases penalties for domestic battery to a Class 3 felony if the defendant has prior convictions



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Employers Seeking Orders of Protection – [HB2590](#)

- Employers can seek an order of protection to protect an employee

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Productive Employees
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Nicotine Sales to Youth – [SB1756](#)

- Prohibits sale of alternative nicotine products to persons under 18, including electronic cigarettes containing nicotine



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Ban on Tan for Minors – [HB188](#)

- Prohibits tanning facilities from permitting persons under 18 from tanning.



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Sex Offender Prohibitions – [HB3023](#)

- Restricts child sex offenders from loitering within 500 feet of a publicly accessible playground on private property



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Court Confiscated Passport – [SB0039](#)

- Court may confiscate passport of non citizen arrested for a violent crime, if bail is granted



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Accident While Driving on Revoke or Suspended License - [SB1735](#)

- Increases penalty for driving on a revoked or suspended license and causing an accident resulting in bodily harm



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Audio or Video Taping an Assault – [HB1309](#)

- Increases penalty for assault if one audio or video records the assault with the intent of disseminating or recording



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Flash Mobs – [SB1005](#)

- Establishes harsher sentences for criminals accused of using electronic communication to create flash mobs



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Mandatory Minimum Fine for Littering – [HB3081](#)

- Creates a \$50 mandatory minimum fine for littering



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Cigarettes Added to Definition of Litter – [HB3243](#)

- Adds cigarettes to the legal definition of litter



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Gangs in Schools – [HB2768](#)

- Increases the interaction between a school's principal and law enforcement agencies involving gang activities



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Tethering Dogs – [HB0083](#)

- Establishes requirements for lawfully tethering a dog outdoors



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